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Comments: Dear Dominion Power,

I live on 11 acres in rural Providence Forge, VA on Carriage Road, which once was Route 60 before the crooks were taken out. Now I live between the old Route 60 and the New Route 60. There are power lines that run down our private driveway and then down our property to the new Route 60. In addition, there are unsightly lines and poles that run straight across my fenced front yard, just yards from the front of the house, and they are unsightly, to say the least.

Therefore, I am very much in favor of burying Power Lines for the following reasons.

1. I am a cancer patient and do not believe it is good to live so close to power lines. The house was here long before the lines were put here.
2. Our home was built in 1765 and has recently been listed on the Virginia register as a State landmark and it is listed on the National Register, as well. It is called "Spring Hill", and can be found on the websites for the National Landmarks. The power lines are esthetically unpleasant. (Downright ugly, in fact). I feel that a home as important as Spring Hill should not have to suffer such obtrusive utility lines. Company has to walk under them to knock on my front door. Additionally, I cannot take a single picture without them showing.
3. Every time we lose power, and it has been several times a year lately, Your giant power trucks come up our private drive and down the easement to Route 60. This is usually after a storm, and the ground is wet. The trucks leave huge ruts in our driveway, and we have to scrape it with the scraper blade to level it.
4. Because we are somewhat isolated here, and not in a development, we are often the last to get attention from the power company. I can understand the idea of wanting to service the most people first, but I have a medical condition and I have trouble taking care of myself without running water, which we lose after several days without power. (We are on well with electric pump).

I would be delighted if you could bury the lines that run all over our historic property. In addition, we have many trees that may someday fall on existing lines above ground. So it seems to me and my husband, Richard, that burying the lines would be a big improvement for both us and your company. I hope you agree.

Regards,

Sharron Dawes

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